LESSON IX, FOURTH QUARTER, IN-TERNATIONAL SERIES, NOV. 29.

Text of the Lesson, I Kings x, 1-10. Memory Verses, 6-8-Golden Text, Math. xii, 42-Commentary by the Rev. D. M.

of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the Lord, she came to prove him with hard questions." She heard, and she came, and she saw. It was in her own land that she heard (verse 6), therefore some one who knew must have told of the glory of Solomon. We know of "a greater than Solomon" (Math. xii, 42), but what are we doing to make known His great ness, and His wondrous love, and His salvation? Faith cometh by hearing, but how can they believe who have never heard? (Rom. x, 17.) It was not merely the fame of Solomon that was made known, but the name of Jehovah, who gave him all he had. The exaltation of any man, however great is not our business, but our motto is, "Jehovah alone shall be exalted" (Isa. ii, 11 17). There is only one to whom God has given a name that is above every name (Phil. ii, 9, 10), and we are here to magnify Him and make Him known to the ends of the earth.

2. "And she came to Jerusalem with very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones." When the Son of David, the true Prince of Peace, shall reign in Jerusalem, for it shall surely be because the Lord hath spoken it (Luke i, 32, 33), then "the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts-yea, all kings shall fall down before Him, all nations shall serve Him." "They shall bring gold and incense, and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord" (Ps. lxxii, 10, 11, 15; Isa. lx, 6). This was foreshadowed not only in the visit of the queen of Sheba, and of all the earth seeking Solomon to hear his wisdom (verse 24), but also in the visit of the wise men from the east, who brought Him giftsgold and frankincense and myrrh (Math 11. 11).

3. "And Solomon told her all her ques tions. There was not anything hid from the king which he told her not." We are not told the nature of her hard questions, but simply that the wisdom of God in Sol omon was equal to every one. In Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowlege (Col. ii, 3), and there is nothing that we need to know that He by His Spirit through His word is not ready to tell us. There are many things we ase not able to bear because of our carnality or lack of faith (John xvi, 12; I Cor. til, 2; Heb. v, 12), but if we are teachable and believing He who is with us and perfect in knowledge will teach us all things (Job) xxxvi, 4; John xiv, 26). Some things we may not know now, but hereafter (John xiii, 7; I Cor. xiii, 12). A friend of mine has written over 30 helpful questions and answers from the book, which can be had in tract form simply for the postage from L. & K., Box 216, Harrisburg. ("The Soul's Cry and the Saviour's Answer.")

4, 5, "And when the queen of Sheba had seen * * * there was no more spirit in her." Probably she came with the consciousness that she herself was some great one, and she was in her own land and among her own people, but now she is in Emmanuel's land and sees somewhat of the glory which Jehovah can give, and she thinks nothing of her own any more. When we in our ignorance of God's righteousness think we have of ourselves somewhat worth mentioning, it only declares that we have not seen or known His.

6. 'And she said to the king, it was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom." Although we know that the report we give from the book concerning our King is all true, how often we have to say, "Who hath believed our report?" (Isa. lili, L.) As to the last book in the Bible, which more than any other tells of the glory of our King, which has a special blessing both at the beginning and end of it upon all who read and keep it, and in which it is three times written that its words are faithful and true (Rev. i, 3; xxii, 7; xix, 9; xxi, 5; xxii, 6), how few there are who count it a true record, while many turn away from it and talk against it?

7. "Howbeit I believed not the words until I came and mine eyes had seen it, and, behold, the half was not told me. Thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard." We remember that one of the apostles would not believe that the Lord had risen until he saw for himself. but when He did see and believe our Lord said to him, "Blessed are they that have not seen yet have believed" (John xx, 29). Faith in God brings all blessing to the believer and the enjoyment of it, but unbelief shuts the door. Contrast Gen. xv, 6; Dan. vi, 23; Luke i, 45; Acts xxvii, 25; Mark v, 36; John xi, 40, with Luke i, 20, 62; Heb. iii, 12; iv, 1-3. Do we who profess to believe in Christ Jesus give any kind of a true report concerning Him, that some may be led to come and see for themselves? We surely cannot tell it all.

8. "Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom." How happy should those be who are accepted in Christ and blessed with all spiritual blessings in Him, who are made partakers of the divine nature and of the glory to be revealed (Eph. 1, 3, 6, 7; I Pet. v, 1; II Pet. 1, 4), who are joint heirs with Christ, laborers together with God, and here in Christ's stead as His embassadors (I Cor. 111, 9; II Cor. v, 20). But are we?

9. "Blessed be the Lord thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee on the throne of Israel, because the Lord loved Israel forever. Therefore made He the king to do judgment and justice." In II Chron. ix, 8, the record is "to set thee on His throne to be king for the Lord thy God." See also I Chron. xxix, 23, "Solomon sat on the throne of the Lord as king instead of David, his father." The only throne on earth ever called the throne of the Lord was the throne of the king of Israel, and at Jerusalem shall yet be the throne of the Lord, and a King shall sit on it who will execute judgment and justice in the earth, and in those days all the earth shall send gifts to that King and shall worship Him (Jer. iii, 17, 18; xxiii, 5, 6).

10. "And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones. we value a talent of gold at \$25,000, which is probably a low valuation, we have here a gift of \$3,000,000 in gold, not to mention the spices and precious stones. The next verse speaks of gold from Ophir, and verse 14 says that 666 talents (\$16,650,000) came every year, besides the wealth of verse 15. Let it all suggest to us the "exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think" of the grace and glory of our God. The queen of Sheba was emptied of her treasures, but went home filled with the royal bounty of Solomon (verse 13), even all her desire and more. Christ Jesus will do greater

A THANKSGIVING SONG.

An we're all a lookin forward to the u

wen't forget, we'll all feel mighty thankful that we're The turkey's been a spreadin of his feathers

An his "gobble, gobble, gobble" seems a darin 1. "And when the queen of Sheba heard But the verdict's been ag'in him, an his exe-

An he makes us feel right happy that we're all a-livin vet!

There's folks will come from Texas, from Illinois an Maine New York will send us Billy, an Hampshire'll give us Jane:

have a great hand shakin when all the friends are met, An won't we feel right happy that we're all

comin 'long-Thanksgivin, with all its love an light. dinners in the daytime, its melodies at The turkey's fat an juicy-the table silver's

An we're feelin mighty happy that we're all a-livin yet! -Chicago Times-Herald.

TALEOF AN OPEN DOOR

There really was no telling how long she had been living there all alone except for the two servants. Even the servants themselves could not have told. Susan, the cook, if you had asked her about it, would have said:

"Law, chile, don' ask me no sech questions. I'se been shet up in dissher house so long I'se got plum moldy."

And if the years had not left mold on the mind and the heart of the lonely old woman in the upper rooms it was not because the time had been too short. People wondered what kind of woman she could have been when she was young, but that did not really matter. They all knew very well what kind of woman she was now. Not that she was so very old, either. She had simply made herself old by sitting alone and shutting out the sunlight and thinking hard, bitter thoughts and getting wrinkles in her face and gray in her Any one can do that who tries very bair. hard, but whether it is the best thing to do, that is the question.

Imaginative people said that she had been imbittered by a great disappointment long ago and that it had turned her into a sour, gloomy old recluse, hating the world and everybody in it, but, after all, when you came to ask about these stories, they were all bearsay.

Of the two servants in the kitchen, one was Susan, who knew just when to do everything and just how to do it, because she had done the same things at the same time every day during all those years when she was growing "moldy." The other was Jane, the housemaid. Jane had been there only six years, and Susan told her every day that if she didn't quit "disrememberin" everything that she was told she would certainly "git her walkin papers."

Perhaps the threat had been repeated too often and had lost its effect. At any rate, Jane went on "disrememberin" with the calmness of perfect confidence in her safety and left doors open and forgot to lock gates and was altogether a trial to the method-

ical Susan. Year after year this old woman had been alone. She had a great, fine house, but she lived in a little corner of it. She had great quantities of money, but she used very little of it. She had no friends, or, if she had, she never saw them. In all Susan's recollection of her she had never done anybody a kindness. The servants had orders never to feed a tramp, and as for giving money to beggars, why, dear me, such

a thing was never dreamed of. But it was Jane that ended it. Jane had gone out to the coalhouse and had come in with a scuttle of coal, and perhaps it is needless to state, knowing what we do of her, that she left every door open on her way up stairs. As she set the scuttle down in the corner she heard the well known command:

"Shut the doors as you go back, Jane. And she gave the stereotyped reply:

'Yes, Mis' Arnam, I ten to it.' So she went back, shutting all the doors, but it was too late then. The mischief was done. Something had whisked into the room before you could think, and before the echo of Jane's footsteps had died out of the room there was the roundest, funniest gray kitten running up Mrs. Arnam's dress and scrambling into her lap. Once there, it looked her in the eyes, stretched out its soft little paws and mewed in the most wheedling, caressing manner known to kittenhood.

The old woman did not throw the kitten down, or push it down, or shut it outside the door. She started to do all three, but instead she only sat there, looking at the little ball of gray while it closed and unclosed its paws on her folded hands.

presently.

The sound of her own voice startled her. It had been so long since she had heard it except in giving orders to the servants.

"Well, what do you want" she said

There never was such a kitten. The moment she spoke to it, up it went, hand over hand, over the bosom of the black dress, and before the old woman could move a finger it was actually rubbing its pink nose on her very chin. Not only that, but it mounted upon her shoulder and purred in her ear and smoothed its silky side against her cheek and actually clawed at her hair and tumbled down into her lap and ran back to her shoulder again as though it were the greatest fun in the

world Something stirred in the stern, silent, grim old woman. The touch of a living creature against that withered face went deeper than the face. She raised a hand and stroked the kitten and spoke to it

gently. Such a frolic as that kitten had! How it caught her hand and pretended to bite her fingers with its ridiculous little teeth and to scratch them with all its claws at once! How it scampered about, playing hide and seek with its own tail! How it swarmed up the curtains and the table covers and looked at itself in the glass and rolled itself up in the Persian rug and enjoyed every minute of the time! In short, if ever there were a kitten that just simply took possession of a room and made itself thoroughly at home there, this was that

When Jane went up stairs to announce the next meal, as was her custom, she returned to the kitchen almost tottering and with distended eyes.

"I bleebe Mis' Arnam done gone crazy!" she cried. "She sottin up dere wif a kitten in her lap, an she say for you to fotch her dinner up to 'er an a sasser o' milk for de kitten!"

"G'way from here, niggah!" cried Susan, and she hurried to her mistress' room

with slower footsteps and a frigitace. Mrs. Arnam had said to her:

"Yes, I want my dinner here, Su undl the kitten gets used to the house. have never had a kitten before. I don't know why I have never thought of it."

Dey's somefin wrong wif Mis' Lizabeth," said Susan when she had gained the sacred precincts of the kitchen and Jane had assured her that she "sho'ly did look pale. Long as I been stayin here, she ain't never et in her room vit, an now she gwine ter eat dere on account ob a measly

On the second day a queer thing happened. The kitten had performed what it considered a great feat, and Mrs. Arnam laughed. The sound of the laugh frightened her, and it sent the kitten skurrying under the bed. It came out presently and growled at her as a gentle intimation not to try that any more, and that made her laugh again. Jane, sweeping in the next room, heard it, and left her work unfinished to tell Susan, but Susan scornfully warned her not to come "tellin her no sech trash." There were bounds beyond which Susan's credulity could not go.

Of course Jane left the doors open again before a week was out. She declared that she "shet ebery one ob 'em." But she must have left them open, for how else did the kitten get out? At any rate, before any one knew it, the kitten was gone and was not to be found anywhere about the house.

When mistress and servants had searched everywhere in vain, Mrs. Arnam shut herself up in her room again and sat down before the fire. The little creature that had distracted her thoughts for a few days and had made her forget herself was gone, and once more she was a lonely old woman-more lonely and miserable than she had been before. She sat there looking at gloomy scenes in the glowing coals until she could endure it no longer, and then she arose and walked about the room and finally threw up a window to get rid of the choking pain in her throat. And when she leaned out into the cold air, what do you think she saw? Just below her, sented on the doorstep, was a ragged little boy, with her kitten in his arms.

In a moment she was down stairs and had the door open and had frightened the child so that he could do nothing but stand and stare at her.

'What are you doing with my kitten, little boy?" she demanded grimly. " 'Tain't your kitten! It's mine!" he replied, clasping it closer.

How did it happen to be yours, I should like to know?" asked the angry old wom-

"It was borned mine," was the simple explanation, and then the woman's heart sunk. She had never once thought that the kitten might be somebody's property before it came to her, and now, behold, she had had no right to it from the first.

She was about to go in and close the door, but she paused to ask coldly: What were you doing on my door-

"We was a-warmin ourselves," said the child, and this reminded him of his own discomfort, so that he began to shiver and

to shrink together. Truly, it was a bitter day. Even in that supply nook the cold was intense. The child was blue with it. She had not no-

ticed that before. "Come in and warm at my fire-you and the kitten," she said.

Now what had come over her? magic spell had been working on that hard old heart? She sat in her armchair, watching the child thaw and grow rosy red in the grateful warmth, as he sat on the hassock before the fire. There was no sound in the room but the soft crackling of the burning coal and the gentle purring of the kitten, and after awhile the child began to nod. Overcome with drowsiness, he slipped down to the rug at last and stretched himself out there, and when the kitten crept into his arms he murmured:

'It always sleeps wid me-to keep me Warm.

After awhile the old woman arose softly and covered both the sleepers with blankets and slipped a pillow under the child's head. Poor little toused curls. How pretty they would be if they were brushed! The withered hand touched them softly. When had that hand ever been laid on a child's head before? And then, as though ashamed of such weakness, she sat down again and resolutely looked into the fire. What was this child more than any other? There were hundreds of such children in the streets-born thieves, every one of them, ready to repay kindness by stealing anything they could lay their hands on.

But it was no use. She couldn't keep from looking at the child, and somehow it did seem pleasant to hear his soft breathing in that room, that had been silent so long. And after she had watched and listened awhile she went out into another room and opened a drawer that had been shut I don't know how many years and took out-a child's cloak-a long, warm cloak, that would surely cover that little figure in the other room from head to foot.

She looked at the cloak a long time, and once she rolled it up and put it back again, but then she took it out in a hurry and went and sat down, with it on a chair beside her. Ah, surely, that was a genial That icy old heart of hers was thawing before it, as the snow thaws on the

southern slopes in spring. And in a little while she made another ourney to the long shut drawers and brought out piles and piles of clothesgood ones, too, that might have been for the child by the fire-and shoes, too, wrapped in oiled silk, as though they were made of gold, and the jauntlest little hat you ever saw. And then, awhile later, she touched her bell and summoned Jane, and, disregarding Jane's amazed stare, said:

"Give this child a warm bath, Jane, and out these clothes on him, and then bring

The little fellow was pretty in his new clothes despite the thin face that had been blue with cold that morning. And what pretty curls those were, just as she had thought they would be! The kitten took him for a perfect stranger and went under chair and growled at him. How he laughed at that—a thin little laugh that brought the tears to her eyes. Oh, it was wonderful how those eyes of hers were improving! And yet she did not say a word to him except to ask him where he lived. And then she told Jane to take care of the boy and the kitten until she came back, and she wrapped herself up and went out.

She was gone a long time. When she came back, her eyes were bright and moist and looked almost like a pair of new eyes. She sat down and took the child and the

kitten both in her lap. "Little man," she said, "I've been to see your uncle and aunt. They've had sickness and haven't been able to take care of their own children. And so I'm going to send them all, the whole family, out to a great big farm of mine, where they'll get well and make a living, and you are going to stay with me and be my little boy.

The child contemplated her with serious eyes. After awhile he asked doubtfully:

"An the kitten toof"

eed," cried the old wom-

They had supper there together after-ward, all three of them, and such a hungry boy as that was, and what a pleasure it was to see him eat! Why, this rich old woman, shut up in her own gloomy thoughts, had never dreamed there could be a child as hungry as that in all the world!

And, afterward, when the little fellow insisted on werging his new shoes to bed, Jane and Susan had to be called up to see that, and they made a regular holiday of it. I don't know how many years it had been since those old walls had echoed to such laughter. When Susan saw that grim, austere old woman actually persuading the child to let the shoes lie in a chair where he could touch them, and when she saw her put the kitten into his arms, she remarked to Jane in an awestruck whisper: 'Hit do 'pear to me like de merlennium

mus' be jes' roun de corner." And that wasn't the end of it! No. indeed! Why, the very next day a certain minister, whose work lay among the poor and destitute, received a summons to call on an old woman who had refused to see him when he had called at her door once before. And when he went, there she was with a small boy and a kitten, and there was a radiance in her face that did not come from the fire light as she said:

"I have just found out what poverty is. You see a great deal of it, I am told. Next Thursday will be Thanksgiving. I have not observed it for many years, but all that is changed. I want you to take this money and see how far it will go in giving all the poor you know a little supply of fuel and a good Thanksgiving dinner. And will you come back to me when that is gone? I want the dinner to be a good one, mind, a regular, generous, old fashioned Thanksgiving dinner."

Oh, it was a great time in that old woman's life; but that was not all, for she sent for an architect that very evening and began to talk over plans for a home for homeless children, and while she talked the child was leaning against her knee and she fondled his thin little hand. After the architect was gone she still sat there musing. Late as it was, she said to herself, she might still atone for her idle, selfish, lonely life.

And that was not all yet, for when Jane came to the door and said, with a broad grin spreading all over her face, "Somebody to see you, Mis' Arnam," she did not hear until the somebody came in and stood

beside her and asked: "Mother, can you forgive me yet?" She must have been dreaming of him, for she looked at him as though he were part of the dream-this handsome man, with a mouth as firm as her own-but in a moment she had awakened and was in his arms, crying out to him while the tears

rained down her cheeks: "Oh, Dick, my little boy, my own little lad, don't ask forgiveness of me! I need it so much more!"

And there was Susan's face in the doorway, illuminated with a radiant grin; for had she not known where Mas' Dick was this long times And had she not gone to him that very morning and told him?

'Mas' Dick, now's yo' time to make frien's wif yo' ma, for she sho'ly is like anodder 'oman!"

And there was the little boy in Dick's arms before you could think, and friends with him from the very first minute, and there was the kitten running up the table cover and tumbling down again and making a perfect whirligig of itself in that mad pursuit after its own tail, and altogether there never was such a happy time. Susan began that very evening making preparations for the most delightful Thanksgiving dinner that ever was eaten,

and while she worked she chuckled with delight and took all the credit to herself because she had brought Mas' Dick home in the very nick of time. But then, there was the little boy who had melted the hard old heart ready for Dick's coming and there was the kitten

which had brought the little boy and there was Jane who had left the doors open for the kitten, and so-But what does it matter how the Thanksgiving got into the house, so that it came?

-Philadelphia Times. From U.S. Journal of Medicine Prof. W. H. Peeke, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cur-

ed more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. He publishesa valuable

LEGAL NOTICES.

Prof.W. H. PEEKE, F. D., 4 Cedar St., New York

MORTGAGE SALE.—Whereas default having been made in the conditions of a certain
indeature of mortgage, bearing date the 3d day of
August, A. D. 1889, made and executed by John I.
Breck to F. C. Bartholomew, which said mortgage
was, on the 10th day of August, A. D. 1889, filed for was, on the him day of august, A. D. isse, filed for record in the office of the register of deeds, in and for Van Burga County, Michigan, and by said reg-ister of deeds duly recorded in liber 37 of mort-gages, on page 694, and Whereas, said F. C. Bartholomew afterwards and

Whereas, said F. C. Bartholomew afterwards and on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1896, duly assigned said mortgage to the Niagara Fire Insurance Company, a corporation organized and acting under the laws of the state of New York, which said assignment was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for Van Buren County, Michigan, on the 28th day of September, A. D. 1896, in liber 48 of mortgages, on page 478, and

Whereas, the said Niagara Fire Insurance Company, afterwards and on the 29th day of March, A. D. 1896, duly assigned said mortgage to Amabel M. Breck, which said assignment was afterwards and on the 28th day of September, A. D. 1896, duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for Van Buren County, Michigan, in liber 58 of mortgages, on page 169, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, \$749.65, and the legal costs of this proceeding, and no suit at law or proceeding in equity having been instituted to recover the amount due on said mortgage or any part thereof; now, therefore, notice is breach, since that he was a server of sale is proceeding and any part thereof; now, therefore, notice is breach, since that he was a server of sale is proceeding and any part thereof; now, therefore, notice is breach, and a server of sale in the contract of the proceeding of any part thereof. instituted to recover the amount due on said mortgage or any part thereof; now, therefore, notice is
hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in
said mortgage contained, and the statutes in such
cases made and provided, I shall, on Saturday, the
20th day of February, A. D. 897, at 10 o'clock in the
forenoon, at the north front door of the court house
for Van Buren County, in the village of Paw Paw,
Michigan, (that being the place for holding the circuit court for the county of Van Buren) sell to the
highest bidder the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to
pay the amount due thereon, with the legal costs of
this proceeding and of said tale. The premises
described in said mortgage and so to be sold, is that
certain piece or parcel of land situate in the village
of Paw Paw, Van Buren County Michigan, described as follows, to-wit: Commencing on the west side
of the Paw Paw and Allegan road on the east half
of the north-west quarter of section 12, town 3 the north-west quarter of section 12, town 3 ith of range 14 west, at a point in the highway judicated by a post at the corner across the road, north 50% degrees west from the north-west corner of the premises formerly occupied by George E. Breck, and running thence north 50% degrees west 5 chains and 8 links; thence north 32 degrees east 1 chains and 31 links; thence north 33% degrees east 4 chains and 83 links to the west line of the aforesaid road; thence south 18% degrees west along said road, 2 chains and 25 links, to a slight angle in said road; thence south 13 degrees west along said west line of said road, 2 chains and 40 links to place of beginning, containing one and 35-100 acres of land, together with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining. Dated, this 18th day of November, A. D. 1896, AMABEL M. BRECK.

LEGAL NOTICES.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan County of Van Buren—as.

At a session of the Probate Court for the county

(Van Buren, holden at the proteste office, in the
tillage of Paw Paw. on Friday, the 24th day of
lovember, in the year one thousand eight hundred

Present, Hon. Benjamin F. Heckert, Judge of In the matter of the estate of Ett Bush,

On reading and filing the petition duly verified, of Philemon Bush, one of the heirs-at-law of said deceased, praying that a certain instrument in writing now on file in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be proved, allowed and admitted to probate as such, and that the execution thereof may be granted to George A. Bush, the executor named in said will.

Thereupon it is ordered that Mouday, the 21 t day of December, 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

elitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give

notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True Northerner, a newspa er priuted and circulating in said county of Van Buret, for three successive weeks at least previous to said day of hearing. 7M4078 BENJ. F. HECKERT, Judge of Probate.

DROBATE ORDER.-State of Michigan-

County of Van Bur.n—ss.

At a session of the probate court for the County of Van Buren, holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Thursday, the 19th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred Present, Hon. Benjamin F. Heckert, Judge

robate.
In the matter of the estate of Benjamin A. In the matter of the estate of Benjamin A. Murdock, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of David Anderson, as administrator of the estate of said deceased, praying for reasons therein stated, that he may be authorized, empowered and licensed to sell the real estate in said petition described.

Thereupon it is ordered that Monday, the 21st day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the heaving of said petition, and all per-

assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all per-sons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, and show cause if anythere be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

hould not be granted.

And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing therethe pendency of said petition, and the hearing there. of, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True Northerner, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Van Buren, for three accessive weeks at least previous to said day of 5t4078] BENJ. F. HECKERT, Judge of Probate.

PROBATE ORDER FOR HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, State of Michigan, County of Vau Buren -ss. Probate Court for said

At a session of the probate court for said co At a session of the produce court for said county, held at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Monday, the 16th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. Present, Hon. Benjamin F. Heckert, Judge of

In the matter of the estate of Alonzo A. Story, deceased.

Margaret Story as administratrix of said estate, comes into court and represents that she is now prepared to render her final account as such adminis

tarrix and files the same.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, the 14th day of December, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for examining and allowing such account, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then o be holden at the probate office in the village of Paw Paw in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed

And it is further ordered, that said administratrix And it is further ordered, that said administratrix give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said account and the hearing there-of, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True Northerner, a newspaper printed and cir-culating in said county of Van Buren, for three successive weeks at least previous to said day of BENJ. F. HECKERT, Judge of Probate.

MORTGAGE SALE. - Whereas default M has been made in the payment of the moneys secured by a mortgage dated the 17th day of July, A. D., 1895, executed by Alvira C. Headley, and Albert Headley, husband and wife, of Van Buren County, Michigan, to Trustees of Mountain Home Cemetery which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county of Van Buren, in liber 430 of wortgages, at pages 458 and 450 on, the 10th ister of deeds of the county of Van Buren, in liber 43 of mortgages, at pages 458 and 459, on the 10th day of August, A. D., 1895, at one o'clock p.m., which said mortgage provided that if default be made in the payment of interest or any part thereof, when due, and should the same remain unpaid and in arrear for the space of thirty days, then the principal sum remaining unpaid, with all arrearage of interest, should at the option of the mortgages become payable immediately thereafter, and the intercome payable immediately thereafter, and the interest due on said mortgage February 8th, A. D., 1896, not yet having been paid, and more than thirty days having elapsed since said interest was due, and the undersigned mortgagee having exercised its option to have the whole principal sum and all arrearage of interest fall due immediately, whereby said mort-gagee claims to be due thereon at this date, the sum eleven hundred nineteen and ninety-six oneor eleven undered fineteen and mery-six one-hundredths dollars, (\$1,119.96) principal and inter-est, and the further sum of twenty-five (\$25) dollars, as an attorney fee stipulated for in said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed to be due and unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having been commenced at law or in equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become opera

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the said power of sale in said mortgage virtue of the said power of sale in said mortgage contained, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house, in the village of Paw Paw, Van Buren County, Michigan, on Monday, the 18th day of January, A. D., 1897, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of said day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate and being in the town of Hamilton, in the county of Van Buren, and state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The north fractional half of the van Buren, and state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit; The north fractional half of the north-east quarter of section two in town four south of range fifteen west.

Dated, Oct. 12th, A. D., 1896.

TRUSTEES OF MOUNTAIN HOME CEMETERY,

Boudeman & Adams, Mortgas Kalamazoo, Mich., 002182 Attorneys for Mortgagee.

EGAL NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE. John M. Dunham, Plans, Franklin County, Ohio.

Alexander G. Patton et al., Defendants, \(\)
In pursuance of an order of the above mentioned court of Franklin County, Ohio, given on the 22d day of October, 1806, I will offer for sale at public auction on Monday, the 7th day of December, 1806, at ten o'clock a. m., at the door of the court house of Van Buren County, in the state of Michigan, the following described real estate, situated in the said county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Being lot numbered two (2) block twenty (29) in the village of South Haven, Van Buren County, Michigan.

Appraised at \$500.00. Terms of sale, cash.
WILDER E. JOSEPH,
Receiver of the estate of Alexander G. Patton.
Rankin & Rector, of Columbus, Ohio, Attorneys

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan County of Van Buren.—ss.
At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Van Buren, holden at the Probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Tuesday, the 17th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety. and ninety-six. Present, Hon. Benjamin F. Heckert, Judge of

In the matter of the estate of Stephen Jones, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of C. J. S. Jones, son of said deceased, praying that this Court adjudicate and determine who are, or who were at the time of the death of said deceased,

his legal heirs, and as such entitled to inherit his Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, day of December, 1896, at ten o'clock in the fore-noon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all persons interested in said estate are required

and all persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the Probats office, in the village of Paw Paw, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True Northerner, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Van Buren, for three successive weeks at least previous to said day of hearing.

BENJ. F. HECKERT, 7444077;

Judge of Probate.

LEGAL NOTICES.

CHANGERY SALE. State of Mic

the Circuit Court for the County of Van Buren, in Chancery. Libby Decker, Julia Wood, and Eugene Hosner, Complainants, vs. Isabella Page, Hattle Page, Margaret Hubbard and Luther Hubbard, Defendants.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decretal order of the circuit court for the county of Van Buren in chancery made in the above cause, and dated October 8, A. D. 1896, notice is hereby given that there will be sold under the direction of the subscriber at public vendue at the front door of the court house in the village of Paw Paw, Van Buren County, State of Michigan, on Friday, the fourth day of December, s. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the township of Antwerp, County of Van Buren, Michigan, known and described as the north-east quarter of the south-east quarter of section twenty-five (25), in township three (3), south of range thirteen (13) west.

Circuit Court Commissioner in and for Van Buren

County.
Conditions of sale:—By the terms of said decretal conditions of sale:—By the terms of said decretal order, any of the parties to said cause may become the purchaser or purchasers of the property above described, and the subscriber is at liberty to accept such an amount down on the sale and to give such credit for the salance upon such security as he may think proper and as may be approved by the Court. 7017.76 ORAN W. ROWLAND, Circuit Court Commissioner in and for Van Buren Courts. County.

MORTGACE SALE. Detault having been IVI made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by John W. Acton and Amanda M. Acton, his wife, to John Shand, dated July 27th, A.D. 1881, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, on the 28th day of July, A. D. 1881, in liber 26 of mortgages, on page 472, and which said mortgage was on the 11th day of April, 1865, duly and regularly assigned by the said John Shaad to Lina C. Barney by an instrument in writing, which said assignment of mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of said Van Buren county, Michigan, on the 18th day of April, 1895, in liber 58 of mortgages, on page 2, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of one thousand four hundred and fifty-six dollars and fifty-four cents (\$1,455.54), and the costs of this proceeding to be added thereto, including an attorney fee of thirty dollars provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been had to recover the amount so claimed to be due, or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and the statute in such case made and provided, I shall, on Thursday, the 21st day of January, 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the north front door of the court house, in the village of Paw Paw, (that being the place for holding the circuit court for the said County of Van Buren) sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, and the legal costs of this proceeding and sale, including the attorney fee aforesaid.

The premises to be so sold are known and described as follows: The north half of the northeast quarter (excepting about two acres on the west side thereof) of section number four (4) in township

east quarter (excepting about two acres on the west side thereof) of section number four (4) in township number four south range fifteen west, containing seventy-eight acres of land, more or less. Dated, October 26th, 1896.

LINA C. BARNEY, 271t13083 Mortgagee by Assignment, DAVID ANDERSON, Attorney for Assignee.

PROBATEORDER.—State of Michigan, County of Van Buren,—ss.

At a session of the probate court for the county of Van Buren, holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Friday the 6th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Present, Hon. Benjamin F. Heckert, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of George E. Breck, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition duly verified, of

George W. Longwell, as administrator of said estate, praying for reasons therein stated that he may be authorized, empowered and deensed to sell the real estate in said petition described.

Thereupon it is ordered that Monday, the 7th day of December, 1896, atten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all persons interested in said estate are required to appear the said court than the same of said court than the said court that the said court than the said court that the said court than the said court that the said court than the said court that the said c required then to to appear at a session of said court, then to be holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, in said county, and show cause, if any

there be, why the prayer of the petitioner of be granted.

And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be pub-lished in the True Northerner, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county, three successive weeks at least previous to said day of hearing.

BENJ. F. HECKERT

SALE OF STATE TAX LANDS. STATE OF MICHIGAN.

Auditor General's Department, Lansing, Nov. 7, 1896, NOTICE is hereby given that certain lands situated in the county of Van Buren bid off to the State for taxes of 1893 and previous years, and described in statements which have been or will be forwarded to the office of the Treasurer of said county, will be sold at public auction by said Treasurer at the county seat, on the first Monday of December next, at the time and place designated for the Annual Tax Sale, if not previously redeemed or canceled ac-

cording to law. Said statements contain a full description of each parcel of said lands and may be seen on application at the office of the County Treasurer after they are received by him and before the day of sale.

STANLEY W. TURNER,

73t4o761 MORTGACESALE. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by John W. Acton and Amanda Acton, his made by John W. Acton and Amanda Acton, his wife, to John Shaad, dated April 2nd, A. D. 1887, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, on the eighth day of April, A. D. 1887, in liber 38 of mortgages, on page 127, and which said mortgage was on the 11th day of April, 1895, duly and regularly assigned by the said John Shaad to Lina C. Barney by an instrument in writing, which said assignment of mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of said Van Buren county, Michigan, on the 13th day of April, 1895, in liber 58 of mortgages, on page 2, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of three hundred eighty-four dollars and the sum of three hundred eighty-four dollars and eighty cents (\$384.80) and the costs of this proceed-ing to be added thereto, including an attorney fee of fifteen dollars provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been had to recover the amount claimed to be due or any part thereof.

been had to recover the amount claimed to be due or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and the statute in such case made and provided, I shall, on Thursday, the 21st day of January, 1897, at ten o'clock in the forencon, at the north door of the court house, in the village of Paw Paw, (that being the place for holding the circuit court for the said county of Van Buren) sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, and the legal costs of this proceeding and sale, including the attorney fee aforesaid.

The premises to be sold are known and described as follows: The north half of the north-east quarter, (excepting about two scress on the west side thereof) of section number four (4 in township four south, range fifteen west, containing seventy-eight acres of land more or less.

Dated October 20th, 1895.

Dated October 20th, 1896. LINA C. BARNEY. [7]ti[3083] Mortgagee by Assignment. David Anderson, Attorney for Assignee. MORTGACE SALE. Whereas, default has

MORTGAGE SALE.—Whereas, default has indenture of mortgage bearing date the 16th day of March, A. D. 1887, made and executed by Frank W. Rhodes and Jennie S. Rhodes of Paw Paw, Michigan, to Edward F. Parks of the village of Paw Paw, Van Buren County, Michigan, which said mortgage was recorded on the 16th day of March, A. D., 1887, in the office of the register of deeds for Van Buren County, Michigan, which said mortgage was recorded on the 16th day of March, A. D., 1887, in the office of the register of deeds for Van Buren County, Michigan, in liber 35 of mortgages on page 632; and whereas, there is now due and unpaid on said mortgage the sum of twenty-three hundred and seventy-one dollars (\$2,371) of principal and interest, and no suit at law or proceeding in equity having been instituted to recover said amount or any part thereof: Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and the statutes in such cases made and provided, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Thursday, the fourth day of February, A. D., 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forencon, at the north front door of the court house in the village of Paw Paw, (said court house being the place for holding the circuit court of Van Buren County) the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, including the coats of this proceeding and of said sale. The premises se to be sold are described as follows: All those certain pieces or parcels of land lying and being in the township of Paw Paw Paw in the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The south-off range fourteen west, county and state last aforesaid, excepting therefrom a strip or parcel of land twenty-five (25) feet in width from and off the south side thereof, said strip having been heretofore deeded to the Van Buren County division of the Toledo and South Haven Railrosd Company, as specified and described in a certain deed t

of range thirteen (13) west.

Dated, October 16th, A. D. 1896.

ORAN W. ROWLAND,
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